Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

November 3, 2022

The Honorable Molly Spearman State Superintendent of Education 1429 Senate Street Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Superintendent Spearman:

The National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) recently sent congressional offices a concerning letter in opposition to a recent piece of legislation introduced in the House of Representatives, H.R. 9197, the Stop the Sexualization of Children Act (Johnson-LA). Our offices have unfortunately confirmed that the South Carolina Association of School Psychologists endorses the national association's position on this important legislation.

The Stop Sexualization of Children Act simply prohibits the federal government from implementing and funding any sexually-oriented program, event, or literature for children under the age of ten years old. NASP's statement in opposition to this legislation makes egregious and dangerous claims in support of explicit sexual education and gender identity indoctrination to young children, and advocates for allowing children under the age of ten years old to be exposed to sexually explicit content.

Explicit sexual content should not be a part of our children's public education, and NASP's desire to push this agenda raises concerns about their resources and training materials being used in our schools.

We ask that your office require that all public schools and school districts terminate any association with NASP and their South Carolina affiliate, as well as ensure that none of their training materials or resources are being utilized in South Carolina's schools.

Sincerely,

Jeff Duncan

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